WEATHER—Snow flurries tonight and Tuesday. Much colder

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Firebug Suspect Confesses Uniontown Has $150,000 Blaze

DETECTIVE OVERPOWERS THIEF AND SHOOTS COMPANION

Uniontown Fire Causes Heavy Loss

Fire early this morning caused damage estimated at $150,000 in the business district of Uniontown and for a time threatened an entire block. The fire was discovered at about two o'clock in a three story brick building and for four hours firemen fought the flames before they were under control. The building which was formerly occupied by the Herald printing company, was completely destroyed. The first floor was occupied by a number of merchants, while the second and third floors were used as apartments. The occupants of the apartments escaped in their night clothing and did not have an opportunity to save furnishings or clothing. The building was one of the oldest in the Fayette county seat and proved an easy prey for the flames that ate their way to the third floor and when the flames were under control this morning the entire building was gutted.

It is believed that the fire was of incendiary origin and at an early hour this morning William Pantelos was taken into custody on suspicion because of remarks which he was credited with saying. He was later released and will be given a hearing later to explain his remarks. The numerous fires of Friday evening in Brownsville and the excitement caused by the burning of school houses and barns in the county has caused a reign of terror in that city and when the fire alarm was sounded early this morning the entire city was awakened and thousands of people rushed to the business district to witness the blaze.

Woman as Burgess

Mrs. Lillian Brownlee of West Halam avenue, was Friday appointed burgess of Washington, Pa., and is the first woman in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be chosen for such an office.

The appointment was made by Judge J. A. McIlvaine, of the Washington county court, upon a petition presented by the members of the borough council and immediately after announcing his decision the jurist administered the oath of office before a crowded court.

Mrs. Brownlee is the widow of E. P. Brownlee, Washington burgess, whose death occurred several days ago. She will serve as the head of the affairs of the borough until the first Monday in January, 1922.

It was an unusual sitting of the court. Solicitor Clyde S. Sipes had presented the petition Wednesday for Mrs. Brownlee's appointment which contained the resolution passed unanimously by council at its regular monthly meeting Monday evening praying for the appointment of Mrs. Brownlee. Unofficially some objection to the appointment of Mrs. Brownlee had been made to the court. For this reason the court, as it stated, directed the petition to be filed and disposed of in open court so any exceptions or objections to the appointment would be heard.

Judge McIlvainne, before making the appointment Friday, made inquiry if there were any exceptions or objections and none were made. The clerk of the quarter sessions court said no other petition had been presented.

Considerable interest was attached to the proceedings and court room No. 1 was filled. In the audience were a number of women, some of whom, it was learned after court was adjourned, expected to make some protest to the appointment of a woman, they being of the opinion that the office demanded a man.

The appointment of a woman as burgess establishes a precedent in this community and in the state. Mrs. Brownlee is the first woman to be appointed to the office of burgess in Pennsylvania. She is the second woman to be appointed to an official position in Washington county, Mrs. W. E. Lane having been appointed recently to succeed her deceased husband as a member of the board of directors of the poor of that county.

Enjoy Entertainment

Those in attendance at the Christian church last evening were highly entertained with the musical program rendered by the choir. The program was under the direction of Mr. Ben. Hughes and Mrs. Mrs. V. R. Smythe. Solos were sung by Mrs. Roland Todd and Mrs. Smythe, duets by Mrs. P. Davis and Miss Elsie Rogers. A quartette composed of Mrs. Smythe, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Beery and Mr. Quillin rendered several pleasing selections. Miss Lillian Beery presided at the piano.

Dance and Xmas treat at the Benefit Union, Second and Reed, on Monday night, Dec. 27. Music by Conti's Jazz orchestra. Everybody invited to come and have a good time. 65-4t-fp

Home Destroyed

Christmas festivities at the home of Aubrey Penn, colored, at Monongahela City, were brought to a close late Saturday night when the husband returned and started a fight with his wife. During the scuffle a stove was overturned and the woman left the house to call the police. The husband followed and while they were absent the burning stove set fire to the home and it was completely destroyed. The house was a small wooden shack, the property of Tom Gregg and was located on Main St., near the Pigeon Creek bridge. The husband took his departure after the blaze and was last seen going thru the Mononganela cemetery, where his overcoat was found the following morning.

Married Xmas Eve

A wedding of local interest took place Christmas eve when Ivan Odbert of this city and Miss Isabelle Miller of Belle Vernon were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. Henry Mades, pastor of the Baptist church. The ring ceremony was used. The wedding took place in the parsonage of the church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller of North Belle Vernon and is well known here having been employed for some time as a telephone operator at the Tin mill. She is also organist at the Baptist church in Belle Vernon. The groom is the son of Mr and Mrs. H. N. Odbert of Monessen and is employed at the Page mill.

Will Visit in West

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Rinehart leave next week on an extended western trip. They will go direct to southern California where they will spend several weeks among friends and sight seeing. Mrs. Thyluria Leathers, a sister of Mrs. Rinehart, is now located there with her son, Dr. Allison Leathers, and the local people will be their guests for a time. In addition to important cities within the state of California they will spend some time at other places of interest and will return home in the early spring. Mr. Rinehart's business affairs here will be in charge of a person, H. F. Rinehart.

New Transfer Man

George J. Montgomery of Belle Vernon has purchased the Cook Transfer & Storage company with offices at 418 Donner avenue and has taken complete charge and will give the business his entire attention. J. F. Cook and Ralf Pearce will retire from the business. Mr Cook devotes his entire time to coal interests with Mr Pearce, who will continue with Mr. Montgomery for a short time, having decided upon his future plans. The new owner is well known here having been employed at the Pittsburgh Steel for some time.

The End Of A Perfect Day

BELIEVE FAIRHOPE YOUTH NOW UNDER ARREST RESPONSIBLE FOR FIRES

With the arrest Saturday of Albert Smith, aged 19, of Fairhope by State police, it is thought that the numerous incendiary fires in this section will be at an end as the young man, after being taken to Greensburg confessed to starting practically all of the fires in the valley and vividly described how he had applied the torch to each and every building merely to satisfy an insane desire to see the flames destroy the property.

The young man was arrested following a number of fires evidently of incendiary origin in South Brownsville Friday evening, including the South Brownsville school, Mershey's meat market, a lumber yard and several dwellings. The youth is the son of a well known resident of Fairhope and has never been under suspicion, although on several occasions he was discovered out late at night and was stopped and questioned, but on being questioned he would make his identity known and permitted to proceed on his way.

He stated that his first fire was that of the Marion school and that about a week later he destroyed the Fairhope dance hall because his father expressed a wish that it burn down, on account of the frequent brawls which had taken place there. The father was taken in custody and is being held as a material witness, although he denies all knowledge of the fires.

A receptacle in the cellar containing oil furnished the fuel to start the fires and the father will be asked to explain why he permitted his son to be away from home during the early hours of the morning, without demanding explanation from him.

The youth's third fire was that at the home of Alfred Montgomery, near Fayette City. The young man had attended a theatre in Fayette City and on his way home set fire to the house, but the flames were extinguished without any damage. He rested for three weeks and then set fire to the Stark residence and followed this with several other attempts on homes in that district and also the church. He also set fire to the school house at Star Junction and after visiting the school a few days later to see what damage he had accomplished, he traveled on to Brownsville where he started the fires Christmas eve. He denied setting fire to the Speer school, which was completely destroyed several weeks ago.

Smith's reported confession deals with the firing of the Gibson school and the Martin and Denton Lynn barns. He maintains he did not burn the Fuller home or the Speer school, though he does admit having set fire to the lumber yard in Fayette City. His seven most recent fires set Christmas morning, as set forth in the alleged confession were the South Brownsville High School, the R. L. Aubrey house, across the river in West Brownsville, the Brownsville Episcopal church, the John Hileman house on the road to Fayette City, the double home of George and Homer Elliott, the Jas. Shearer home and the James M. Clark barn.

Smith, it is said, showed troopers how he put tar barrels and small logs in the path of fire apparatus from Charleroi, hampering their efforts to reach the scene of a fire several days ago. Capt. Herbert Smith made a trip by car over the territory involved in Smith's confession as it related to the fires of December 20, reporting that his speedometer showed 108 miles at the end of the trip.

The elder Smith is said to have two brothers in asylums, a daughter under treatment and an uncle subject to mental trouble.

Commenting on the reported confession, Capt. Smith declared the state police had exerted every effort to round up the incendiaries and felt satisfied the wave of arson would subside with the arrest of Koma, in jail at Uniontown and Smith. The arrest of Benjamin Bevier, a Fayette City minister's son, he regarded as unimportant. Bevier, he said, was angry at the American Legion boys on guard at schools and sought to get publicity. He had in reality, started none of the fires.

"We are glad to have done our duty," said Capt. Smith, "and, needless to say, shall never put in a claim for the $6,000 reward offered by the county commissioners of Fayette county and the board of the Star Junction school."

Believe Woman a Suicide

Authorities of Washington county are investigating the mysterious death yesterday of Mrs. Letitia Coven, aged 25, wife of Frank Coven of Warren, a short distance out Maple Creek near Charleroi. The woman was found dead in her bedroom by her husband, who claims that she committed suicide. According to his story he arrived home shortly after noon yesterday and found the house locked, but secured admittance into the house by the kitchen door and went to his room, where he had down on the bed. His wife came into the room and asked him to kiss her. He refused and she left the room and a shot was heard, and rushing into the adjoining room he found his wife lying on the floor with a bullet in her brain. She was still instantly.

It was stated that last summer Coven left home with another woman, who was also married, but both returned to their homes and were forgiven. The dead woman is survived by her husband, a small son, and her mother and father, all of whom were in the house when the shooting occurred. The coroner investigating the case. The body was brought to the Crowl's rooms in Charleroi and funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon.

Four Killed

(By United Press)

Paris, Dec. 27.—Four killed and 120 Sein Feiners were captured early today when police and officers raided a dance hall in the Bruno district of Paris.

Two Thieves Captured By Detective

(By United Press)

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 27—In a desperate struggle with two armed bandits who had broken into the general merchandise store of Sam Serbstein in Scott township, near Glendale, this morning, County Detective Robert McMillin overpowered one of the men and shot his companion as he attempted to escape from a second story window. The wounded man was taken to the Mercy hospital, where it was found he was suffering from a gun shot wound in his right thigh. He gave his name as Casmier Firanek, aged 21, of Scott township and when searched an I. W. W. membership card was found on his person. The man captured by the detective was lodged in the Heidelberg police station and gave his name as Vincent Smoger, aged 19 of Scott township.

Quiet Christmas

Christmas passed off very quietly in this vicinity and with the exception of a fire alarm about noon for a blaze at 1259 Morgan avenue, which was extinguished without the assistance of the firemen and another last evening at the Tennessee restaurant in which the firemen's assistance was not necessary, there was little excitement.

In police court probably a dozen prisoners who were placed under arrest over the week end, were brought in, but only a few of them were present for hearings this morning. Among the prisoners were two women, Kate McDonough, who failed to put in her appearance for a hearing and Victoria Maras, who, with her common law husband, spent the night in jail and paid fines of $3.00 and costs for being drunk.

Enjoy Moose Bazaar

The large crowds visiting the Moose Bazaar is beyond all expectation, although it was a foregone conclusion that it would be a success. The women and children are surely enjoying the various attractions, the small gifts of candy being thoroughly appreciated. This is the fourth night and one of the many series of dance nights. A very capable orchestra furnishes the music nightly and the hall has been transformed in keeping with the festive season. Local and professional talent is there in abundance. Tomorrow night is Charleroi night, a delegation from there claiming Tuesday, while the various lodges from the other towns are scheduled for the remaining evenings of the year. This, of course, will not prevent anyone from enjoying the hearty invitation of the Moose officers to come; it is free.

Family Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Morgart of 1049 Morgan avenue had the pleasure of having all their children at home for Christmas dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Morgart, their son, Charles wife and daughter, Annabelle; son, James, wife and daughter Viola of Pittsburgh; son, J. C. wife and daughters, Francis, Edna May and Mildred of Knox avenue; Ray and wife at home; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boyer of Sixth street; Mrs. Boyer is a daughter; J. W. Cadwallader, only brother of Mrs. Morgart, his wife and two son, Ray and Donald.

Baru Dance Tomorrow

Preparations have been completed to care for the largest crowd of the season tomorrow evening at the Turner hall, when the local Elks will hold their annual barn dance. The committee in charge has left nothing undone towards the pleasure of the guests and the affair promises to be a big social success. The hall has been decorated in keeping with the occasion with hay and corn fodder predominating. Beer, doughnuts rolls, bread, butter, sugar, coffee, and apples will be served and the guests will be dressed in Rube costumes and a night among O'Hara's jazz orchestra will form the program and it will be long after the midnight hour when the affair is brought to a close.

Battle at Fiume

(By United Press)

Paris, Dec. 27.—Sixty have been killed and many wounded according to advices to the French foreign offices in a battle at Fiume. Reports received here relate fierce fighting between D'Annunzio's forces and the Italian troops and there are also reports of a battle at sea when d'Annunzio's battleships attempted to elude the blockade.

By CAMILLO CIANFARRA
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Rome, Dec. 26.—Five regular soldiers have been killed by the garrison of Gabrielle d'Annunzio at Fiume. As a result the constricting ring of troops about the city has been imbued with a tension which is expected to result in further bloodshed if the poet commander does not yield. Forty regulars were wounded. The five soldiers killed were members of a truce party, advancing to the outskirts of Fiume to make an appeal for d'Annunzio's submission to the government's will in the matter for the Adriatic treaty.

General Caviglia, commanding the blockading troops, in his effort sent a truce party to the city. Legionaires, on edge for more than a week opened fire before the visitors could explain their errand. Five men dropped dead and others of the party withdrew with the wounded.

Rome itself was in a state of great excitement. Sympathizing with their blood relatives under command of d'Annunzio, the Romans flocked about newspaper offices, asking for their details of the Fiume situation. There was general deploring of the hasty action of the Legionnaires.

Prepare for Banquet

The tenth annual alumni reunion of the local High school will be an event of interest on Thursday evening of this week in the High school building when friends and members of the association to the number of approximately three hundred will gather to enjoy the evening. A banquet to be followed by speaking, cards, dancing and games will occupy the greater part of the evening. The assessment will be $3.00 per couple and remittances must be made not later than tomorrow noon, in order that the committee may make the proper arrangements.

Wedding a Surprise

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roach were agreeably surprised to learn that their son, Charles F. Roach, was married on Christmas eve, Dec. 24, to Miss Emma Mabel Matthews of the Rev. Arrien B. Miller at Wellsburg, W. Va. They returned to spend Christmas at the home of the bride. They are now receiving the congratulations of their numerous friends at 482 Metheral avenue, after receiving the parental blessings.

Captain and Mrs. Kohl of the Salvation army gave 21 well filled Christmas baskets to the poor families, also toys to the little tots on Christmas morning. The baskets contained potatoes, apples, cabbage, corn, peas, tomatoes, milk, hominy, jelly, bread, butter, sugar, coffee, beans, pie and meat. Some of these families had not a thing in the house until the Salvation Army baskets were delivered to their homes. Captain Kohl and his wife wish to thank all those who so kindly helped at the Christmas season.

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REPUBLICAN IN POLITICS

UNTRUTH A POOR ALTERNATIVE

The necssity for suppressing the facts no longer prevailing we are now told something of the great damage done by the German air raids on London and other English centers of population. The London Times has drawn some comparison between what was told in the government communiques of the result of raids and what actually happened. It is shown that in numerous instances where the government statements averred that slight damage was inflicted the actual devastation mounted into millions of dollars. The visits of the German airmen wrought far greater havoc than the public was permitted to learn through official admissions. It is also stated that through fear begotten by the raids there was a large exodus from London to remote parts of the island, many of whom have never returned to their former places of residence.

The disparity shown to exist between the facts and the communiques raises the question whether suppression of the truth by means of a depreciation of the damage actually accomplished the purpose intended. The primary design of minimizing the destruction wrought was to conceal from Germans the extent of the fruitation of their effort. Yet many British must have known that the whole truth was not being told, and this might easily lead to doubt of the verity of any announcement the government might make on the subject of the war.

The practical workings of censorship may defeat its purpose. Facts cannot be distorted without producing a reflex action. There are instances in which it is wise to preserve absolute silence, but in many cases less real harm would be done by telling the truth than by shaping an untruth into an apparent truth. If it is known what it is necessary to do it may be possible to accomplish it, but one who struggles in the dark wastes his effort. Much of the censorship is designed to keep in the dark the very people on whom reliance is placed for action. Too much publicity may be undesirable, but lying about conditions need not be the alternative.

As a protest against the bill in the chamber of deputies reducing the term of military service from two years to 18 months, the French minister of war, Andre Lefevre, has resigned.

It may be assumed that he feared the majority favored the shorter term, which has indeed been indicated by reports from Paris that the reduction to 18 months might be cut down to a year.

The incident is significant as suggesting the growing dissatisfaction in France with the program of military adventure that has marked the course of the government. There has been very plain criticism in British circles and elsewhere in Europe of the apparent ambition of the French government to establish a military hegemony in Europe.

The collapse of French policy in Poland and the Near East, taken with the difficulties the French forces are having in Asia Minor, may well have provoked a revulsion of popular feeling at home where business and industrial interests have been observing the more successful efforts of the British in trade matters.

The resignation of the war minister may be tested further at the coming senatorial elections in January, which may demand a reorganization of French administration and policies.

ANXIOUS DAYS

Maybe you think all is serene in the little hearts for whose enjoyment Christmas festivities were mainly invented. But go back as many years as need be to the time you were a child, and "believed" and perhaps you will remember the horrid gripping fear of finding your stockings full of ashes or switches, because you had been a naughty boy or girl.

Santa, alas, will miss a good many children this year. And not all of them will be deserving of the neglect. A New Jersey judge the other day, by the way, passed a most lugubrious sentence on two boys who were found guilty of cramming the light of a minister's auto full of dirt. Poor lads. They have to go to bed at 6 o'clock every night for a month. They have to go right up to the minister's home and beg his pardon. and worst of all—they are not to receive a single Christmas present.

We'll bet a Christmas necktie against a plum pudding that their dads and mothers fool the court.

Being mentioned for a cabinet place is a popular distinction at present, and it is an unenergetic man who cannot get his name suggested.

The man and woman who get married as a joke should do all the laughing before the ceremony.

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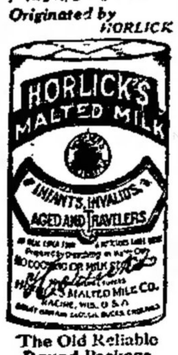

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Booze Cases Are in Court

Uniontown, Pa., Dec. 26.—Statewide interest centered in the proceedings beginning tomorrow in the Fayette county courts when they take up the socalled liquor cases. Prosecutions are the result of investigations made during the last six months by the Committee of One Hundred which brought special investigators here to gather the evidence which has resulted in quite a number of indictments against hotel proprietors and others. Prosecutions have been instituted under the Brooks license law.

The result of the committee's investigations were placed at the disposal of the district attorney and counsel for the committee are assisting the district attorney in the prosecution of the cases.

A vigorous legal battle is in prospect. The first step of defense counsel was application for a bill of particulars, giving specific details of the points upon which the prosecutions are based. The court, after hearing arguments and reading briefs filed, overruled the petitions for bills of particulars. The contention of the prosecution was upheld, that sufficient evidence had been presented at preliminary hearings before justices of the peace to hold the defendants for court and to obtain indictments before the grand jury.

Question of the validity of the Brooks law probably will be one of the issues. Recent prosecutions, convictions and sentences under the Brooks law have been appealed and those cases now are before the state Supreme Court.

The Committee of One Hundred, it is declared, now number approximately 1,000 men and women in the county. The committee, in a recent public announcement, declared that other law violations would be taken up by the committee and prosecution launched after the liquor cases have been disposed of. A reward of $500 was offered for information leading to the conviction of any attempt to influence jurors.

Struck By Auto Recovers Sight

Ravenna, O., Dec. 26.—Ernest Holister of Brantford, Ontario, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walson Holister, of Ravenna, did not thank the driver of a Brantford automobile which struck him two weeks ago, seriously injuring him. Now, he says, he is ready to decorate the chap.

About two years ago, while Mr. Holister was working in the plant of the Morgan Engineering Company, Brantford, a piece of steel struck him, costing him the sight of his right eye.

Upon recovering from the injuries suffered in the automobile mishap, Mr. Holister was astonished to find that he had fully recovered his sight.

WORD "MAD" WRONGLY USED

Frequently Employed When Speaker Really Means to Convey Idea That He Is Angry.

Few words are more frequently misused than "mad" and "angry." It must be confessed, however, that there is some excuse for the misuse of the words, since many psychologists hold that it is difficult to tell, when the emotions of a person are aroused, just where anger ends and madness begins. But in grammar there is a sharp distinction between "angry" and "mad." The former means to be vexed or out of patience, while the latter indicates madness, lunacy. A person who is insane is mad, but a person whose mail is delayed is not mad, but merely angry. There is a figurative use of the word "mad"—that is, a use in which the words are not to be taken literally—such as "mad with pain," "mad with terror," etc.

"I am mad at that fellow," says a man, "he cheated me in a stock deal." He should say, "I am angry at that fellow," etc.—Chicago Journal.

Resin on the Violin.

One of the queerest superstitions about the violin is the idea that the resin should be allowed to accumulate and cake under the bridge, with the idea that this improves the tone. Clogging the surface of the belly of the violin with a foreign substance can only be detrimental to the tone. If the resin which accumulates under the bridge is dusted off with a cloth, after use, from the time the violin is new, the varnish will always retain its beauty and luster. If left on it ruins the varnish in time and forms an unsightly cake under the bridge. This is injurious to the violin and to its value. Thousands of people imagine that the more unsightly an old violin is the greater its value. This is a great mistake. Old violins, like old coins, are much more valuable when well preserved. A good or bad state of preservation in a Stradivarius violin, for instance, might make a difference of several thousand dollars in its selling price.

To Antonia Silvestri late of Monessen, Penna.

You are hereby notified that a final rule for divorce has been granted against you at the suit of Vincenzo Silvestri, your husband, which will be heard in the Court of Common Pleas No. 2 of Philadelphia County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of June Term, 1916, No. 532, on Monday, the 24th day of January, A. D. 1921, on which day you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why such divorce should not be granted against you.

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Locai Notes

A. R. Ney is a business caller in ittsburgh today.

Charles Hart of Pittsburgh was visitor in town yesterday.

Miss Florence Trew spent yesterday visiting friends in Sewickley.

Mohawk sheeting, lengths, 2 1-2 s for $1.89; N. W. Schlup Co. 1t

Miss Mary Joyce of McKee avenue as a visitor in Braddock over Sunday.

All kinds of toys, 1-2 1-3. 1-4 off. .W. Schlup Co. 1t

Joseph Kasper and Edgar Anderon were callers in Belle Vernon last evening

John Hill of Cleveland, spent hristmas with his parents on Knox venue.

Ted Winwood of Braddock was a isitor with friends in Monessen on riday.

Miss Emma Kaufle and Carl O oelker were visitors in Pittsburgh esterday.

Attorney Vincent R. Smith spent hristmas with friends and relatives Latrobe.

Special reductions, women's and ildren's union suits, 1-4 off. N. . Schlup Co. 1t

Oliver Thomas of Mount Pleasant, hio, is the guest of his son, A. E. homas of Park Way.

Mathias Koch spent Christmas ith his father and other relatives Mount Pleasant.

Miss Bertha Cherkin of Schoonaker avenue spent Christmas with riends in Brookline.

Mr. and Mrrs. N. W. Schlup and amily spent Christmas with relaves at Barberton, O.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elde Tuccher., a boy weighing 10 1-2 pounds, n Friday, December 24.

Glenn Anderson of McKee avenue pent last evening with friends and elatives in Monongahela.

Miss Isabela Barras of Cleveland, s spending the Xmas holidays with er parents in Monessen.

Mrs. William Otto of Homestead isited yesterday with Dr and Mrs. Karl Beery of this city.

Henry Glaister of Brushton district Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Anderson of Ninth street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burke are pending the holidays with friends and relatives in Cleveland.

Miss Sarah Rosenthal of Schoonaker avenue spent yesterday with ng friends in Pittsburgh.

Harvey Smith, wife and son, Oliver spent Christmas with Mr. Smith's parents at Smithton.

Coal delivered at 25 cents a bushel. A. Setting & Sons, Bell Phone 610, Monessen. 67-12p

Miss Ebba Malm of Cleveland, O., is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Malm of Knox Ave.

Halfred Thomas left this morning for Wheeling, W. Va., where he has accepted a position in the mills.

Mrs. Mary Hinchcliffe of Donner avenue spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in California, Pa.

Miss Josephine Sandusky is here from Youngstown, spending the holidays with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leonard and children are visiting with Mr. Leonard's parents at Wellsburg, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Kintz of Canton, O., are spending the holidays with Mrs. Kintz parents in this city.

Dr. Rosenthal, Albert Winkler and Harry Feldman drove to Pittsburgh Saturday and spent the day with friends.

Coal, Coal, Coal, at 21 cents per bushel. See E. D'Altorio & Son, 319 Schoonmaker Ave., or phone 753-M, Monessen. 69-3tp

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne F. Blackburn of Lock Four spent Christmas day here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Clendennon

Rex Bell, of Edgewood, who is visiting with relatives in the Brownsville district, was the guest of local friends last evening.

Rev. and Mrs. S. K. Herbster of Braddock spent the Xmas season at the home of their daughter, Mrs. C. H. Dils of McKee avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clonan of this city spent the holidays with Mr. Clonan's mother, Mrs. Negley Anderson of Monongahela.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Comelius of Cleveland, Ohio, are visiting with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Malm of Knox Ave.

Mr. and Mrs William Wirtz and children of Clairton, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Anderson of McKee avenue over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lemley and daughter of Donner avenue spent Christmas at the home of Mr. Lemley's mother at Fairmont, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowers of Donner avenue have returned home after spending the Xmas holidays with relatives at Beaver Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Glaister and Miss Jessie Glaister of E. Pittsburgh spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Anderson of Ninth St.

Miss Frances Jamison and Messrs. Kenneth and Stephen Jamison of Schoonmaker avenue spent the holidays with friends at Mt. Pleasant.

Robbers entered the store of Ely Stein, No. 5 Hazelett, some time last night and after ransacking through the place left a complete outfit of clothing, shoes and jewelry. Police are investigating.

Rev. Daniel Woodfall, business manager of the Pittsburgh Christian Advocate, occupied the pulpit at the local M. E. church yesterday morning.

Special asortment women's and children's coats and dresses, 1-2 and 1-3 off during this reduction sale. N. W. Schlup Co. 525-29 Donner avenue, Monessen. 1t

Mrs. Elizabeth Collins, daughter Genevieve and son George, returned home to Pittsburgh, after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Anderson of McKee avenue.

Lou Bertrum, formerly of Charleroi, but now of Buffalo, N. Y., was a visitor in Monessen yesterday. He and his mother are the guests of relatives in Charleroi over the holiday season.

Harry Feldman, the popular manager at the Saner store is suffering on account of a very sore corn on his right foot. He is able to be at his place of business but moves about with great difficulty.

Just received a large supply of beautiful laurel roping suitable for dance halls or decorating homes or churches. Irwin's Flower store, 413 Donner avenue. 70-2t

An extra two weeks session of court beginning January 24th and continuing throughout the February term, will take many citizens from Monessen, who will be called to serve as jurors.

The entertainment given in the Methodist church Christmas night by the adults of the Sunday school was highly pleasing and a large crowd was present. About $150 was raised by members of the Sunday school, which will be given to the starving Armenians.

P. P. Bush and family have returned from Marysville, where they visited Mr. Bush's mother, who will have reached the age of 85 years, if she lives until January 25th. They found the aged lady in the best of health.

The Olympic hall having been redecorated and improved by the installation of six windows, giving plenty of ventilation, is now open for dances, lodge meetings, etc. Persons desiring to rent the hall should apply at the Olympic theatre. 63-tf

The remains of Arthur Buchanron, who was killed Sunday last, by Thos. Crosby, were taken to Nashville, Tenn., yesterday afternoon. Funeral services will be held from the home of his father, 627 North Twelfth avenue and interment will be made in Mt. Arab cemetery.

Mr and Mrs Daniel Winstone are the proud parents of a baby girl which arrived at their home Thursday. This is the second daughter in place in the family and although Mr. Winstone had hopes that the second child would be a boy, he is just as happy, now that the women have been granted equal franchise.

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The Pretty Dream

By MOLLIE MATHER

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Julie thought it would be different after she was married; everyone told her so. Aunt Millicent in comfortable complacence explained how light romantic visions vanished in the reality of sensible devotion, and surely no husband had ever been more sensibly devoted than Tom. He was kindly concerned in her health and her pleasures as well, and never too wrapt up in business to refuse a sympathetic ear. Yet, the "visions" remained. Visions of a green bordered road with a lake blue and sparkling at its foot. Of a summer there, the magic of its moonlit nights. Of a crude picturesque cabin at the edge of the wood where a young man labored over possible inventions, a bronze faced, dark eyed young man with a smile of womanly sweetness, and a tender voice to match the smile. Julie had been much in this man's companionship. It was her uncle who had whimsically introduced the two.

"Stewart," he said, "this is a modern maid of the cities. Julie my friend here was born a future Edison, but he has not quite achieved—not yet."

After that the girl had seemed to chance upon the unusual man everywhere—in the wood where the trees made a cathedral, on the banks of the lake where his little boat was harbored—sometimes they would row together, sometimes talk idly as he explained and laughed with her about his future inventions.

There were hearts, Julie was told, that had loved and lost where Stewart Holmes was concerned. But the girl smiled and went on to her fate—for Julie, too, learned to love the man of gentleness and charm. All at once Tom Carter back in the city seemed a crude being, on an endless quest for mere dollars. Dollars won by hard thinking and tireless action in a big concern in the city. Tom's brief notes proved to her his absorption in mercenary pursuit. "Dear Julie," Tom would scrawl—"Busy every minute; thinking of you just the same, and hoping you will hurry home from the wilds."

And while Julie would crumple her unsatisfactory letter, Stewart would go on talking in his beautiful way, hinting sadly of what her return would mean to him. Julie realized what it was going to mean to her.

When Stewart made love to Julie she longed wildly to break her engagement, and told him so. But even in his disappointment Stewart was thoughtful.

"Take time to think it over, Jewel," he said.

Jewel was his name for her.

"There will be plenty of time to think I fear," he added sadly, and motioned about the cabin toward his many half-finished plans. It was then that Aunt Millicent interceded regarding practical choice in a husband. Stewart was their loved friend she said, but Tom was their choice. Stewart himself settled the grievous question. Julie had gone, near the time of her departure, to meet her woodland lover on the bank of the lake, and as the moon turned the waters to gleaming silver, Stewart tenderly leaned toward her, while her hands clung to his.

"Good night and good-by, little Jewel," he said. "Ours has been a pretty dream."

Later she told her Tom all about it. Tom's only answer was the repeated urging that she set their marriage day. As far as Julie could judge, her summer was troubled but not at all.

Fall days passed and Julie engrossed in her work of her hospital classes, the dream receded and her happiest hours [illegible] She found herself comforting Tom's good nature [illegible] Tom's "Jewel" was with [illegible] Julie interested [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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Stop Divorce Is Remedy of Judge

Cleveland, O., Dec. 27.—After several years of close study of the cause and effect of divorce, Judge A. J. Pearson, of the Common Pleas court here, has reached the conclusion that society would benefit by the repeal of all legislation permitting dissolution of the bonds of matrimony. Denial of divorce would work a hardship in some cases, he admitted, but the general effect would be distinctly beneficial.

Judge Pearson believes much of the evil of the present day is due to the large numbers of divorced men and women "who have been turned loose on the community, with the resultant criminal effect." He believes the ranks of criminals and other parasites are liberally recruited from among the children of divorced couples.

"Of course some cases merit separation, but it would be of less injury to society if divorce was absolutely banned," Pearson said. "The turning loose on society of divorced men and women is one of the greatest evils with which we have to contend.

"If the man is no good, it permits him to fool some other woman, and if the woman is no good, it permits her to fool some unsuspecting man. The result is that another divorce is filed in a short time. If the parents remarry, the children, if there are any, seldom get as good care or attention as before."

More thought would be given to the business of marriage if divorces were unobtainable, Pearson believes. Fewer unhappy marriages would occur as a result, as both the young man and young woman, realizing that the contract could be broken only by violating the law and thereby incurring a jail penalty, would make sure of selecting a worthy mate, he contended.

"Many persons get married after an acquaintance of a few weeks," Pearson said. "We know that it takes something more than a few weeks or a few months for an apparently love sick couple to judge whether the case is strong enough to last through life. Many persons marry today with the idea that if the marriage does not prove palatable, the divorce courts stand ready to cut the bonds."

Gloomy Dean Sees Little Hope For England

London, (By Mail.)—Going! Going! Gone!

That's England, according to Dean Inge, who is up to his reputation for "gloom" in a lecture on "Eugenics and Religion."

Discussing the birthrate, the decrease of the middle classes and the increase of the lower, Dean Inge deplored the fact that the best stock was being taxed to bring in the worst.

"Our best stock is being crushed out of existence. . . . I don't see any future for my own class. Politicians take no interest in race improvement. They believe, naturally, that the unborn have no votes."

The dean declared that it was the anti-scientific temper, which was rampant today, that was the enemy of eugenics.

"The nation," he said, "especially the government, behave as though the nation has come into a huge fortune through the war. We have no great men of any description today—whether statesmen, scientists, poets, proprets or philosophers.

"I have faith in the old proverb that things refuse to be mismanaged for a long time. It is certainly true that we are breeding from our worst stock and the best is being crushed out of existence.

He pointed out that during the nineteenth century the middle-class governened—class governed—imposed the taxes and paid them and took care there was no waste. The accumulated wealth of the country became prodigious. Towards the end of the century power fell into the hands of the untaxed class and anti-eugenic legislation was adopted.

"We could then afford to make the unfortunate more comfortable and the prosperous rich continued to have more than was good for them.

"And now the great war has brought us to the limit of taxation. The goose that laid the golden eggs is having its throat cut just at this moment. Before long we shall have a thinly disguised repudiation of those scraps of paper on which the nation's debts are inscribed. That will mean the disappearance of the tax-paying class and thence-forward the masses who are in power will have to tax themselves—those who call the tune will have to pay the piper.

"The country will be very poor and to a great extent barbarized."

Berlin. (By Mail.)—A local court rejected a complaint of General Nollet, interallied mission chief against a German who attacked Nollett's chauffeur, saying the complaint was invalid, because written in French. Morever, the court held Nollett hadn't established any penal offense in his allegation that the German made verbal attacks.

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STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Monessen Oil & Gas Co. Wednesday evening December 29th, at eight o'clock at 472 Donner avenue Monessen, at which time officers will be elected for the ensuing year and all other business transacted 1t

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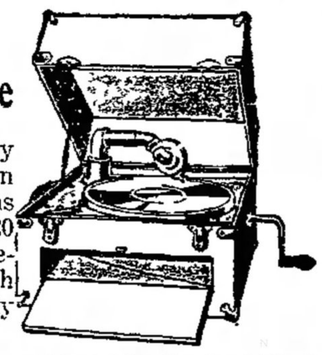

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—This is just one short of the total number of wedding permits issued in this office in 1913 when 2,216 marriage licenses were issued With a week yet to run, if Cupid has any kind of success, the total should be boosted well toward the 2,300 mark Strangely enough for some reason or other there are very few couples seeking marriage licenses at this Christmas season at Mr Cremer's office Only three permits to wed were issued Friday forenoon indicating that Cupid has gone to sleep at his post

June, the month of brides and roses," is always the banner month of the year at the marriage license office, with one exception That was the month of April, 1917, just after the United States entered the world war The declaration of war was largely responsible for many of the 278 couples who secured marriage licenses

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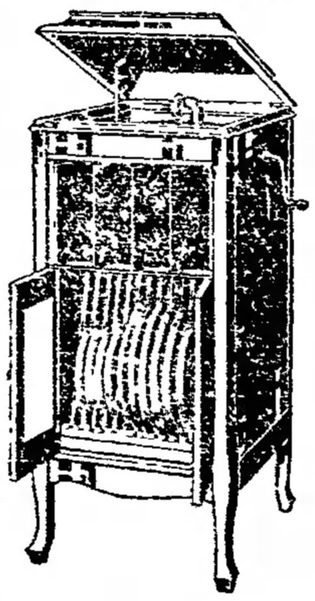

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Silent Night Holy Night			
35594	12 in.	$1 75	
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O, Little Town of Bethlehem			Trinity Choir
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